

**May 18, 2007
Special Meeting**

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING HELD MAY 18, 2007

A Special dinner/meeting of the City Council of the City of Hopewell, Virginia, was held Friday, May 18, 2007, at 7:00 PM at Kanpai Japanese Restaurant, 5303 Oaklawn Boulevard, Hopewell, Virginia.

PRESENT: Steven R. Taylor, Mayor
Brenda S. Pelham, Vice Mayor
Christina J. Luman-Bailey, Councilor
Kenneth B. Emerson, Councilor
E. Randy Sealey, Councilor
N. Gregory Cuffey, Councilor

Edwin C. Daley, City Manager
John M. Altman, Jr., Interim City Manager
Ann M. Romano, City Clerk

ABSENT: Curtis W. Harris, Councilor
Edwin N. Wilmot, City Attorney

Mayor Taylor opened the meeting at 7:10 PM. Roll call was taken as follows:

Mayor Taylor	-	present
Vice Mayor Pelham	-	present
Councilor Bailey	-	present
Councilor Harris	-	ABSENT
Councilor Emerson	-	present
Councilor Sealey	-	present
Councilor Cuffey	-	present

Mayor Taylor welcomed everyone to the dinner/meeting, and offered prayer before the meal.

MEETING

At approximately 8:00 PM, Mr. Daley proceeded with the business portion of the meeting. He followed the below guidelines for Council discussion:

**Council Discussion
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1. Introduction by Mayor Taylor of topics for discussion:

Core values
Council protocol and relationships
Council expectations of staff
Community inclusiveness
Project priorities

2. Update on police chief selection

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3. Council discussion of project priorities
4. Community Inclusiveness Visioning Project

Due to lack of time, the following items will be addressed at a subsequent meeting:

5. Expectations of staff

Behavior
Project Focus

6. Council protocol and relationships

Internal – with each other and staff
External – with the public

7. What are our core values?

Respect
Inclusive

8. Other items for future discussion

ADJOURN

At 9:42 PM, by consensus of Council, the meeting was adjourned.

Steven R. Taylor, Mayor

Ann M. Romano, City Clerk